



# SPORTING SECTION



## IN MAJOR LEAGUE TRAINING CAMPS

**Evansville Rowdies Bepatter Cubs With Mud When Locals Lose Game.**

**YUMA TEAM EASY PICKING**

**Sox Regulars Win 11 to 1—Blackburn and Berger Help Second Win With Stick Work.**

Evansville, Ind., March 31.—Chicago's Cubs defeated the Evansville Central leaguers yesterday afternoon by a score of 10 to 0 in a rollicking good-natured game, in which Zabel distinguished himself by twice knocking the ball over the left field fence for home runs.

This one-sided count, however, was displeasing to a mischievous group of youthful bleachers, who carried on a running fire of repartee with the O'Days during the combat. These ardent followers of the locals followed the Cub bus after the game and showered its occupants with clods of mud. Ammunition was plentiful because of the recent rains, which had made even the starting of the pastime doubtful. The marksmanship of the Cub batters finally became so accurate and so annoying that Wilbur Good leaped from his seat and slapped one of the pests across the speaking tube, which put an effective stop to the bombardment.

**Sox Win Farce.**

Yuma, Ariz., March 31.—Not much practice or anything else was evolved out of the exhibition which the Sox regulars gave here, when a farcical affair resulted, 11 to 1, in favor of the visitors. The home team was able to round up only eight men, so Manager Callahan had to furnish pitchers for both sides, and used four hurlers getting through the comedy.

**Sox Second Win.**

Reno, Nev., March 31.—The Sox II. enjoyed a battling treat yesterday afternoon at the expense of four Reno pitchers, getting 22 hits and winning, 17 to 2.

When the Sox arrived here it looked like snow, but the sun came out, making the day a fairly warm one. Quarrier pitched the whole route. He cut loose occasionally. During one period he fanned seven out of eight men who faced him.

Blackburn was the hitting star, getting two homers and two singles. Quarrier and Schirmer made four apiece and Barbour had three.

**Feds to Play Series.**

Shreveport, La., March 31.—It was

decided yesterday to wind up the stay in the Shreveport training camp with a series of three games between the regulars and Blokes of the Chicago "Feds" for the championship of Caddo parish. The first game will be played on Wednesday, and the series will end on Friday. The members of the winning team are to receive \$1 apiece providing they agree to spend that dollar in Shreveport before leaving for New Orleans.

**Memphis Beats Cincinnati.**  
Memphis, Tenn., March 31.—Liebhardt and Steele, pitching for the Memphis Southern league team, were effective at all stages of yesterday's game against the Cincinnati National league regulars and Memphis won, 4 to 0. Seven of Memphis' hits and all of the runs were made during the three innings Rowan pitched.

**Giants, 5; Houston, 3.**  
Houston, Tex., March 31.—The New York National regulars defeated the Houston, Tex., league team yesterday, 5 to 3, scoring three runs in the eighth inning.

**Sox Sign Catcher Stebbins.**  
Hastings, Mich., March 31.—George Stebbins, catcher for last season's Hastings' team, has signed with the Chicago White Sox.

## WAKEFIELD ONLY NEW MANAGER IN THREE-I

Dubuque, Iowa, March 31.—With the rather unique distinction of but one of the eight managers new to the league as a club leader the Three-Eye league has a formidable array of baseball grey matter included within the craniums of its pilots. Howard Wakefield of Springfield is given his initial try-out as a team boss in the league, although not known in the circuit, having been a private in the ranks of the same club last year.

The array of managers is as follows:

Davenport—Dan O'Leary.  
Peoria—Clarence Rowland.  
Dubuque—Forrest T. Plass.  
Bloomington—Harry Syfert.  
Springfield—Howard Wakefield.  
Quincy—Nick Kahl.  
Danville—Connie Walsh.  
Decatur—George Reed.

## MID-WEST SKAT LEAGUE TO MEET IN DAVENPORT

Davenport will entertain the first tournament of the Mid-West Skat league organized at Peoria Sunday. It will be held during September next. The Peoria meeting was held under the auspices of the skat club of that city. J. M. Cross of Davenport was elected president. The league embraces many cities in Illinois, Iowa and Missouri.

## SET DATES FOR HOLDING OF ELGIN'S ROAD RACES

Chicago, Ill., March 31.—Dates for the Elgin road races were fixed yesterday. They are Aug. 21 and 22. The Chicago Automobile trophy will be the prize for the opening day and the Elgin Watch company cup for the second. Aug. 29 and 30 had been selected by the Chicago Automobile club and the Elgin Road Racing association, but owing to a conflict with the Pomona, Wash., races, to be held on Sept. 9, the promoters decided to advance the dates.

The race for the automobile club trophy will be limited to cars of 450 cubic inches piston displacement. The second day's race will be a free for all. Last year the automobile club cup was contested for by light cars. Owing to the dearth of machines of 231 cubic inches piston displacement, it was decided to make the qualifications for one of the races unlimited.

**Dodgers See President.**  
Washington, D. C., March 31.—Representative Griffin yesterday presented the players of the Brooklyn National league baseball club to President Wilson.

The production of Naples hemp during 1912 amounted to 36,000 tons, against 32,000 tons during 1911.

## Recruit Twirlers for Boston Braves in Action



This picture was taken at Macon, Ga., the other day and shows a group of Boston Brave recruit pitchers in action. Reading left to right, they are: Fred Herche, "Dick" Crutcher, Eugene Cochrane, Willard Meike and George Tyler. Manager Stallings is seen in the background. Tyler has had experience in the big league before, but the others are all new to fast company.

## TWO MAT BOUTS ARE ON PROGRAM

**Good Preliminaries for Bron-dell-Slaymaker Match at Illinois Theatre Tonight.**

Everything is ready for the program which will be presented by the Illinois Athletic club tonight at the Illinois theatre. Harry Bron-dell of Davenport will meet Jesse Slaymaker, the "bald eagle" of Albany, Ill., in what should prove to be one of the most interesting wrestling matches that has been offered in the tri-cities this season.

Two interesting preliminaries will be offered tonight. One will be a four round sparring exhibition. The other will bring together Walter Wiese and Hans Petersen, Davenport wrestlers. These men are rivals who have been arguing for some time about their respective merits. They are to be given an opportunity tonight to settle the dispute.

## WILL RAISE MONEY FOR OLYMPIC TEAM

New York, March 31.—Ways and means to insure a winning team at the Olympic games in Berlin in 1916 were discussed last night at a meeting of the executive board of the American Olympic committee. The question of expenses was taken up and it was planned to raise a fund of \$100,000. Everett C. Brown of Chicago, former president of the Amateur Athletic union, is confident the necessary amount will be subscribed to send enough champions abroad.

## DUBUQUER MAKING GOOD.

**Red Faber Proves Star With Sox, Being Hailed as a Comer.**

Dubuque, Iowa, March 31.—Words of praise for "Red" Faber are penned by a sports scribe with the White Sox first team. He has the following to offer for the Dubuque boy: "It now looks as though the Sox have a promising hurler in 'Red' Faber, purchased from the Des Moines club. The tall boy has only had one or two opportunities to show his wares since joining the club after the world tour, but he has made excellent impression. He is another 'spitball' hurler with speed and curves thrown in."

## FOREIGN NEWS

London, March 31.—Nine southern states of the United States now owe British bondholders a total of more than \$75,000,000, not including interest, \$7,000,000 of debts which have been in default from 40 to 70 years, according to a report of the council of the Corporation of Foreign Bondholders.

This association, organized 40 years ago to protect the interests of holders of foreign securities, has for many years had 11 foreign states on its black list, but this year the republic of Guatemala, under pressure from the foreign office, has resumed payments after a default extending over 14 years.

"The elimination of Guatemala," says the report, "leaves the unenviable distinction of defaulters to the republic of Honduras, and nine states of the United States of America, namely, Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and West Virginia."

It has not been possible to obtain reliable information with regard to most of these debts, but it is understood that the loans were contracted for public improvements, and do not include confederate bonds or war debts.

With the exception of Alabama's debt, of which no reliable information is obtainable, the amounts owing British bondholders are estimated as follows:

Arkansas	\$ 8,700,000
Florida	7,000,000
Georgia	12,700,000
Louisiana	6,000,000
Mississippi	7,000,000

North Carolina	12,600,000
South Carolina	6,000,000
West Virginia	15,239,370
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$75,239,370</b>

Of these debts the report, which is signed by Viscount Goschen, the new chairman, says:

"It is indeed deplorable that these prosperous and progressive states of the great American union take no steps to settle their defaulted debts, and it seems, to say the least of it, an anomaly that the United States should insist on compliance with its obligations by a country like Santo Domingo when so many of the states within its own borders are not observing their own engagements."

"The excuses put forward by these states for non-payment are manifold, but they may be generally classed under three heads:

"(1) South Carolina pleads that her defaulted obligations were contracted while the state was being administered by the federal government after the Civil war. The answer to this, of course, is that the bondholders have nothing to do with differences between the states and the federal government. One or the other must be responsible for the issue of the loans in question, and it is most unfair that the state should refer its creditors to the federal government and that the federal government should refer them back again to the state. Tennessee for many years adopted the same attitude as North Carolina; but the former was wise enough to realize that no state can maintain its position in the world of credit which attempts to justify the repudiation of obligations by excuses which, in the case of individuals, would not be tolerated in any civilized court of law, and therefore came to a settlement with the holders of the bonds."

"(2) Louisiana alleges that there were irregularities of some kind or another in connection with the issue of most of her repudiated bonds. It would, of course, put an end to all credit if a state, on discovery that its own officials had acted incorrectly in the course of the issue of a loan, repudiated all responsibility for the money obtained from the public."

There is, however, one issue, or part of an issue, known as "Baby" bonds, concerning which not even the foregoing excuse can be pleaded. In this case, in the state of Louisiana in accordance with the state's constitution, and although they are specially secured on arrears of taxes collectible by the state, which, it is admitted, diverted to other purposes, payment is denied on the astonishing plea that the bonds were not guaranteed by the state."

"(3) Mississippi's excuse for not recognizing her defaulted debt is worst of all. Between 1831 and 1838 the state issued two loans, for which she obtained full value and the proceeds of which were invested in the establishment and development of two banks. So long as the banks flourished and made good profits the interest on the loans was paid; but when, owing to over-speculation, had been in default from 40 to 70 years, according to a report of the council of the Corporation of Foreign Bondholders.

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## SYNDICATE MAKES OFFER FOR CUBS

**Oak Park Man Heads Latest Group in Field to Purchase Chicago Nationals.**

Chicago, Ill., March 31.—The Cub franchise is still proving a "will o' the wisp," and the latest expedition to attempt its capture is being made by a syndicate of five Chicago men headed by Herbert S. Mills of Oak Park. Although Owner Charles P. Taft is reported to have said yesterday at Cincinnati that he had had no communication with any one representing this syndicate, Mr. Mills announced that he and his partners were being represented by a Cincinnati attorney and that he expected to hear definitely from him tomorrow.

Mr. Mills declined to give the names of his associates, stating that the news from Cincinnati had leaked out accidentally. It was the intention of the syndicate members to keep the negotiations secret until some definite understanding had been reached.

According to a story from New York John T. Connelly still is dickering for the Cubs. Mr. Connelly said last night there had been no change in the situation since he stated he and his associates had withdrawn their offer and canceled their option.

No interest has been paid since 1872, and the rate on two of the loans was 10 per cent the amount is largely made up of unpaid interest.

Como, Italy, March 31.—Porter Charlton, the young American who killed his wife, Mary Scott Charlton, when they were spending their honeymoon here in June 1910, has acquired a sufficient knowledge of Italian to avail himself of the privilege under the Italian law to be the first and last to address the jurors before whom he is to be tried on the charge of murder.

Sympathy for the accused youth has been demonstrated frequently during his detention in the San Donato jail, since extradition from the United States last August. While Charlton has been studying the language of the country his lawyers have been working up public opinion in his favor.

The effect is apparent. Visitors to the jail are many and privileges have been granted to the prisoner by the director and keepers of the jail. His meals are served from the outside. Good food and daily exercise in the court yard of the Palace of Justice have kept him in fine health.

It may be mid-summer before the case is tried, delays being due to extended investigations undertaken by both sides.

Charlton's lawyers have been getting in touch with numerous witnesses in America. Twenty of them have been subpoenaed, and it is expected that several may appear personally before the court of assizes at Como to contribute their testimony as to the psychological condition of the accused.

While the case is new in the sense that it is the first time an American citizen has been extradited and tried in Italy, it does not differ greatly from the so-called crimes of passion so frequent here.

"Studying the terrible drama, we have become convinced and will demonstrate" say Charlton's lawyers in a sketch of the theories they will pursue, "that an obscure and inevitable fatality presides over these awful crimes, which go from love to death, from the idyl to tragedy, by which a human life is suddenly cut short by the hand of a creature who loved, and who still passionately loves, and who after the crime remains terrified, weakened, and stunned by what he has done, incapable of believing that the blood was shed by him."

"Charlton of weak character, inexperienced, overwhelmed by the artificial attractions of Mary Scott, was captured by an almost pathological fascination, had his conscience weakened and enslaved and became the easy tool of incoherent and illogical excesses."

"To prove this we have added to the documents of the trial the interviews with Dr. Procaccini, major in the

royal navy, who travelled as royal commissioner aboard the steamer which brought Charlton from New York to Naples. Dr. Procaccini, after having studied Charlton for about two weeks, expressed the opinion that at the time of the crime he was in a state of 'moral infancy,' and therefore in a condition of not realizing the enormity of what he had done.

"In the majority of cases these crimes arouse the pity, not the severity of the jurors. If the accused is acquitted the reason will not be found in sentimentality or distortion of the human sense of justice, but rather in the conviction of the jurors that human agencies should not inflict further penalties upon the man before them who, having made a victim of another, is himself the victim of an inexorable fate."

"We shall prove before the court of assizes that the Charlton drama is due to an aberration which upset the normal mental faculties of the accused. This will clearly appear from the interrogation of witnesses, and our contention will be further supported by the testimony of Italian alienists."

Rome, March 31.—The only complete skeleton, in Italy, of a dog of the Stone Age is now on view in the Ancona Museum. The animal following its master, is believed to have roamed the valley of the Po several thousand years ago. Dog and man were buried together, and their bones are today displayed in the ancient tomb from which they were unearthed.

This "canis palustris Rutimeyer" to give this ancient dog its official name—evidently is a cross between the dog of today and the jackal.

The skeleton of the man also is highly interesting because of the peculiar manner in which it is hunched together. The thigh bones are bent over the abdomen and the arms raised, with the hands over the face. It thus shows a striking resemblance to the skeletons of the same period found in Egypt.

Taxi cabs have made their appearance in Rome, with a scale of prices remarkable for their reasonableness. In the day time the tariff is 14 cents for the first half mile, and then 2 cents for each additional 600 feet. At night these rates are increased to 16 and 3 cents respectively. Three persons may ride at these prices. Extra persons above three pay 8 cents a trip. Two hundred of these vehicles already are in operation, and it is probably only a question of time when the well known Roman one horse cab will be a thing of the past.

Dr. Luigi Lamboni, of London, is again in Italy to prove his theory that pellagra, a disease akin to elephantiasis and sometimes called Italian leprosy, is due to a parasite in potable water.

Dr. Lamboni is widely known for his studies of malaria. He has devoted five years to the study of pellagra and he has in his employ a man servant suffering with pellagra on whom he is experimenting to prove his theory that the disease is neither contagious nor incurable. He will devote his time here this spring almost entirely to the study of infected water in the effort to discover the supposed parasite and find a means of exterminating it.

It has been asserted for years that pellagra comes from excessive consumption of Indian corn.

Berlin, March 31.—Europe has found amusement in the financial embarrassment of Prince William of Wied, who was forced to arrange all the preliminaries of his ascent to the throne of Albania on credit.

Not until the last moment before his departure from Berlin did the young monarch-elect succeed in getting any of the \$1,000,000 loan which had been arranged by the powers. The result was that he was unable to meet the bill of \$750 for moving his personal effects and furniture to the palace at Durazzo. The shipment was entrusted to the German agent of the Austrian state railways, who finally obtained orders from Vienna to send the bills for transportation to the Austrian foreign office.

Austria also paid the railway fares and hotel bills of the new monarch on his round of state visits to the capitals of Europe and furnished the steamer to take him to Durazzo. The gorgeous uniform which the prince designed for his state entry was turned out by the Austrian court tailor, and the Albanian notables, who came to the prince's German home at Newwid to offer him the crown, borrowed in Vienna the money for the first payment on that necessary piece of royal equipment.

The crown consists of a circlet of gold set with turquoises, above which

## AUGUSTANA WILL HAVE GOOD TEAM

**Most of Last Year's Baseball Players Still in School and Ready to Play.**

With the basketball season over at Augustana college, attention begins to center around the baseball prospects. About all the men who made up the good team of last year are back this year, and will report for practice as soon as the Erickson field is in shape. In addition to the last year's team, much new material has entered college during the year, and some of this may even replace the old men. Eric Anderson, who is the captain this year, will be at his old place behind the bat. His record at that position during the last two years put him as possibly the best catcher that Augie has had for many years.

As first baseman, Knut Erickson, will still eat everything alive that comes his way as he has done for two years. Flavius Sten will hold his accustomed place at second base for the last time before graduation. His record in both baseball and basketball has been one which anyone might envy. Walter Peterson is ready for a merited return to his position on third. His two and three baggers will still be in order. The competition for shortstop will no doubt be keen. Robert Polson, Egnar Larson and Fred Magnuson will be out for the place. Polson is a last year's man and may retain that position.

There is an abundance of men for the outfield. The old men back this year are Arthur Mollander and Reuben Hultgren, while the new men who will compete are Edgar Johnson, Fred Magnuson and one or two others.

Nate Hultgren, who served so well on the slab last year, will again be on deck. One game of last year was a no-hit affair.

With this lineup of men the manager is busy casting around for strong teams to play.

are six intersecting arches of gold, supporting at the apex the "white star of Skanderbeg." Skanderbeg was the Albanian national hero and last defender of Christian and national interests in the Balkans against the invading Moslems. He spent his boyhood as a Turkish captive and embraced Mohammedanism, but finally escaped to Albania, organized an insurrection, and established an Albanian principality which he successfully defended against both Turks and Venetians for 25 years during the fifteenth century. Prince William's son and heir, Prince Carol Victor, born May 19, 1912, will, it is announced, be named Skanderbeg and ultimately become Skanderbeg II of Albania, should the kingdom continue its precarious existence until that time.

Good judges of Balkan conditions here assign an existence of not more than ten years to the new kingdom, and the German foreign office is convinced that William may even lose his life within that period.

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